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## Sir:

With respect to the documents listed in the I.D.S. filed today, namely USP 7,362,021, German Utility Model DE 200 19 289-U1 and corresponding US SN 09/716,745, now abandoned,

<u>no item</u> of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and,

to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement as known to any individual designated in \$1.56(c), more than three months prior to the filing of today's Information Disclosure Statement. The DE 200 19 289-U1 document was cited by opposing party Elektrosil

on <u>21 JUL. 2010</u> (less than 3 months ago) in an inter-partes proceeding relating to a corresponding EP patent owned by the assignee of the present application, EBM-PAPST ST. GEORGEN GmbH & Co. KG.

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